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FLUORINATED ESTER, A
FLUORINATED ACYL FLUORIDE AND
A FLUORINATED VINYL ETHER

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

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SIR:

Now come Takashi Okazoe, Kunio Watanabe, Masahiro Itoh and Shin Tatematsu, the inventors of the present invention, who depose and state:

1. That Okazoe et al, Journal of Fluorine Chemistry, 112 (2001) 109-116, "A new route to perfluorinated vinyl ether monomers: Synthesis of perfluoro(alkoxyalkanoyl)fluorides from non-fluorinated compounds" was published on November 28, 2001. The publication date is evidenced by the attached print-out from the "sciencedirect" web-site.
2. That Takashi Okazoe, Kunio Watanabe, Masahiro Itoh and Shin Tatematsu who are listed as authors of Okazoe et al are inventors of the claimed invention of the above-identified application.
3. That Daisuke Shirakawa who is listed as an author of Okazoe et al did not contribute to the claimed invention of the above-identified application.

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4. The undersigned petitioner declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing therefrom.

5. Further deponent saith not.

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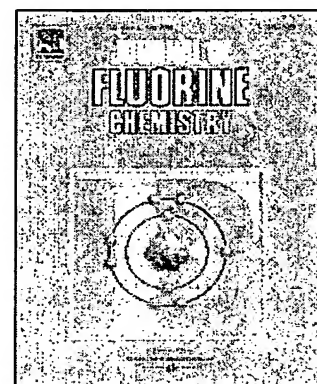
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